

IAGSDC

Executive Board Meeting

Salt Lake City, UT

July 3rd, 2014

Bob Hazen called the meeting to order at 1:00pm

Roll Call by Kent Tolleson

51 Full Member Clubs
1 Associate
9 Affiliates

Welcome from Squeeze the Hive. Not here will come back to them.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes that were sent out. Approved by the delegates.

Treasurer Report:

Financial report given out. 2013 actuals. Spent \$3,700 more than we took in. Most of that was because we hired a photographer in San Francisco last year (for the photography project). Proposed budget for 2015. Break even budget given for 2015. Cutting back the banner display. Just a thin tube and shipping that much cheaper. Bumping up web and hosting fees. Likely to go up. No dues structure change requested. We are right around 2,000 members. Still \$1 per person per club. Typo on last page....as of 7-1-13 and not 7-1-14. Treasurer report approved.

501C4 application. Still not finalized by IRS. 26 months and been told it could take up to 36 months for approval.

Justin Crawshaw welcomed everyone to Salt Lake City and Squeeze the Hive. Around 770 registrations at this point. Hoping to break 800 total.

Membership Report:

Brad Bruner reported 50 full member clubs and 10 affiliate member clubs. Club membership is remaining about the same. New club membership application from Pegasus Squares from Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas. They have 27 members and by-laws. Rick Hawes motioned to have Pegasus Squares accepted as a club member into IAGSDC and Terri Sherrer second the motion. Approved. Interest from Kansas City (Knot So Squares). Plan to apply by convention next year in St. Louis. Interest expressed from Melbourne, Australia. Also Phantom Squares of Southern California has expressed interest.

Outreach: We do have the banners for use. Just write and ask for them for promotional events. We have displays and brochures. Six clubs have used them thus far this year. Are banners for purchased? No, clubs cannot purchase them. Only two available right now so we want them back for other clubs to use. Diana Leaf from Blooming Squares asked about new brochures. The photographs were not available to update the brochures. Still using the old ones until we need some new ones. Bob stated we are moving towards the new brochure. Want to go through the stock we have and then move to new brochures. Pull up banners you can order for your events. We have the pull up display, brochures, and banners for clubs to utilize.

Dave Decoy (El Camino Reelers). Looking for logo to use. Email us and Bob/board can provide it to you.

San Francisco Final Report:

Ed Zeigler reported that they had recorded numbers. Total registration 1,174 people. They had a budget surplus. The surplus was \$28,426. License fee \$4,264 to IAGSDC, All Join Hands reimbursed plus extra for the new dancer registrations (over \$10,000), gave money back to groups that helped: Sisters of Perpetual Help, The Drummers, The SF Gay Men's Chorus, SF Cheer, and some to monies to St. Louis and Toronto future conventions. Remaining funds set up in a memorial fund (Dan Seaburg). Clubs in SF bay area, newbie dance, dance at the local AA chapter. Still have some funds remaining to disperse. Want to spend the funds on square dancing.

Convention Advisory Committee Update:

Annual meeting on Sunday at 11:30. Informal discussion about putting on a convention.

A.R.T.S. Report:

Danny Miller reporting on the ARTS. Sunday June 29th meeting at Little Rock, AR. Main emphasis of rebranding the ARTS logo and want to bring a newer imagine and try to get new interest. Jim & Judy presented powerpoint presentation. Copy given to everyone at this meeting. All forms of dancing is represented in ARTS. Election of officers 2014-2015: Betsy Gotta, Chairman, Gordon Macaw, Vice-Chair, Kathy Smith, Secretary, Edith Weber, Treasurer. Special thanks to Scott Phillips for his dedication to ARTS.

All Join Hands Foundation Canada, Ltd.:

Pam Clasper (reports in packet) reported that they are a bit smaller than All Join Hands Ltd, but they do have some funds in the coffer for Toronto 2016 but is always accepting donations. CRA (like the IRS) has gone through and made all charitable organizations reapply. It was done and accepted. Still registered and Canadians can get a tax deduction for donations.

All Join Hands Foundation, Ltd.:

Gordon Macaw stated the report is in the packet and will not go over it but pointed out the difference in new convention dancers was different than what SF reported (SF 109 new dancers and 99 for AJH). New dancer fund completely exhausted but SF replenished those funds with their donation. A few other things to point out as well. Salt Lake City has not requested any new dancer funds and St. Louis hasn't requested funds at this time. Funded Caller School for 2014 and 2015. \$10,000 transferred from general fund to the Club Development fund (Peterson Fund new name).

Election of Officers: Advisory board, James Oziach, has his board member termed out. Ed Ziegler expressed interest in this two-year

advisory board position. No one opposed so Ed Ziegler is now on the advisory board.

Callerlab Convention:

Allan Hurst reported that Barry Clasper is the Chair of Callerlab. Patrick Schwerdtfeger was the speaker (Marketing on a Shoestring Budget). Use social media to get to younger group of dancers.

295 attendees with over 3 dozen GCA callers in attendance. Andy Shore got quarter century calling certificate. Ett Mactee and Howard Richmond certificates to be received by mail since they were not attending convention.

New Mission Statement: "Foster the art of square dance calling and improve caller skills."

Two issues voted on: Board member expulsions and retired callers being committee members.

GCA Report:

Michael Levy reported that they completed their school this week. 11 students. Mostly new callers. AJH supports us and they were thanked for their financial support. Quarterly newsletter done by GCA. Published and many callers rely on this report. New website for GCA. Michael Wills and Fred Lohr given thanks. GCA meeting today. Everyone is welcome to join in.

AJH members on Gordon's committee see him after this meeting.

New Business:

Danny Lee stepped down as webmaster. We thank him for his efforts. We need volunteers to work with Fred Lohr and Michael Wills to spearhead to figure out what way we want to go on the website. We need programmers, graphic designers, or writers. Need a pool of people to make this happen.

Newsletter editor and news content needed (special skill set person needed).

Future Conventions:

2015 St. Louis: Aaron Wells stated just under 500 registered thus far. Rate \$240 and everything on the website. Food not chosen yet. Calling schedule finalized. Everything is done and pretty much ready to go. Delegates meeting on Friday is a catered lunch, dancing starts that night and ends Monday with Fun Badge Tour (right after brunch).

2016 Toronto: Lee Godfrey stated that she only has a few things to report. Thanked the donors for convention seed monies from San Francisco and AJH Canada. Brunch presentation of Toronto 2016 video and 50/50 for Toronto. Sunday, 9am first 100 registrants for early bird. Yes, they are taking Pay Pal and the hotel is the Royal York Hotel. Free Wi-Fi. Dave Decot....what is the hotel. Fairmont Royal York Hotel. Transit link is supposed to be in place from Pearson airport to that hotel.

Reopen bids for the 2017 convention:

Minneapolis (see attached appendix for their bid)
Philadelphia (see attached appendix for their bid)
Palm Springs (see attached appendix for their bid)

The voting was held and votes need to total 42. Minneapolis: 13

Philadelphia: 9 Palm Springs: 20

We will be going to Palm Springs in 2017. Congratulations to Palm Springs.

2018 Convention bid was open last year and Seattle stated interest. Seattle presented the bid from JW Paulson. See their attached bid in the appendix. Sheraton hotel with \$159 rate. 4th of July is a Wed. in 2018 and the convention to be held over the weekend after 4th of July. Michael Spayd mentioned about the economy and the amount of dancers that may be lost from the east coast because of cost and that the breakeven point of 900 might be too high. Any other bids for 2018. None. Bids were closed. 2018 was voted in by the delegates for Seattle to be our host.

2019....any interest? Rick Hawes has served interest in 2019 (Minneapolis). Any other interest. The Philadelphia committee has expressed interest for 2019. Interest beyond 2019 Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus expressed interest in the year 2020.

Election of Officers for 2014-2015:

Chair position is open (two year position). JW Paulson nominated Phil Davis and seconded by John Faulds. Phil Davis accepted the nomination. John Faulds and seconded by Aaron Wells to close nominations. Vote to accept Phil as the new Chair. Delegates voted Phil Davis in as Chair of IAGSDC.

Vice-Chair position is now open for one year since Phil Davis vacated that position by accepting the Chair's position. Nomination of Aaron Wells by Rick Hawes and seconded by Michael Levy. Closed nomination by Terri Sherrer and seconded by Dave Decot. Aaron accepted the nomination. Delegates voted to accept Aaron Wells as the Vice-Chair.

Treasurer position is open (two year position). Nomination of Michael Pemberton from Michael Spayd and seconded by Rick Hawes. Michael accepted the nomination. Delegates voted to have Michael Pemberton as the Treasurer.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:40pm.